

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Public Buildings.

House bill for the relief of Lucien Hopson.

Read first time, and referred to committee on Private Land Claims.

House bill to amend 13th section of "An act concerning proceedings in the District Court, approved March 16th, 1848."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Upon motion of Senator Parker, the Senate adjourned until 10 A. M., to-morrow.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Oct. 9, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator Foscue presented protest of Levi Jones against the passage of a bill for the relief of W. M. Cook.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Cook presented petition of Robert Robson.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Truitt, Chairman of Committee on Private Land Claims, reports, and recommends the passage of a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs of Peyton S. Wyatt."

Senator Yarbrow made the following report:

Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate:

The committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the manufacture of iron by the State," having had the same under consideration, a majority of the committee have instructed me to report the bill back to the Senate and recommend its passage.

J. C. YARBROW, Chairman.

Believing it to be my duty to make the above report, I beg leave to remark, that to engage in such enterprises, on the part of the State, is, to say the least of it, questionable policy.

J. C. YARBROW.

Also reports and recommends the adoption and passage of an accompanying substitute, in lieu of an original bill, entitled "An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Texas Copper Manufacturing Company,"

Senator Braswell, Chairman of Committee on Internal Im-

provements, reports and recommends the passage of House bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a Horse Railroad between Houston and Harrisburg."

Senator Foscue made the following report :

To the President of the Senate :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize and provide for any county, city or town to become a stockholder in, or to loan its credit to, any company, corporation or association," have had the bill under consideration, and instruct me to report the accompanying substitute and recommend its passage.

F. F. FOSCUE, One of the Committee.

Senator Shelley, Chairman of Committee on Public Buildings, reports and recommends the passage of a House bill, entitled "An act appropriating four hundred dollars for repairing Treasury building."

Also reports and recommends the passage of a bill to incorporate the town of Athens, in Henderson county.

Also made the following report :

To the President of the Senate :

The Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill to authorize the Governor to sell and dispose of unserviceable arms and munitions belonging to the State of Texas," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report the accompanying substitute and to recommend its adoption and passage.

N. G. SHELLEY, For the Committee.

Message from the House, announcing the passage of the following bills :

A bill to be entitled "An act to incorporate the Galveston Bay Bridge Company."

A bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to an act entitled an act, incorporating the city of Jefferson, in Marion county, approved September 11, 1866."

Joint resolution to authorize the distribution of certain laws.

A bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to and amendatory of an act, entitled an act to provide for the redistricting of the State into judicial districts passed at present session."

A joint resolution for the relief of J. F. Lund.

A bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to an act incorporating the Houston Direct Navigation Company."

A bill to be entitled "An act appropriating five hundred dollars to make repairs on the Blind Asylum."

A bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the county court of

Dallas county to levy a special tax, for the purpose of erecting a comfortable jail and repairing the courthouse of said county."

"An act to amend the Penal Code in relation to offences committed against live stock."

House passed a resolution, authorizing the Enrolling Clerk to change the bill dividing the State into judicial districts, so as to read "Hardeman" county, instead of "Hardin," as now.

Also, House refused to concur in Senate amendments to House bill authorizing the Governor to investigate the seizure of cotton by the Federal authorities, and have appointed Messrs. Smith of Harris, Kyle and Worsham, as commission of conference, and ask that the Senate appoint a like committee.

Senator Reed, Chairman of Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back, and recommended the passage of, a House bill to incorporate the Cedar Creek Bridge Company.

Senator Selman, for the committee on Judiciary, reported back, and recommended the passage of a House bill, regulating the time for holding sessions of the Supreme Court.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate bill to ascertain the amount of and adjusting and funding the State debt, on its third reading, was taken up.

Senator Shelley moved to amend the third section by striking out the words "and five hundred."

Amendment made.

Senator Bumpass moved to amend seventh section as follows:

"But this opinion must be strictly in accordance with the provisions of the amended Constitution."

Upon motion of Senator Shelley the amendment was laid upon the table.

Bill, as amended, read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Record, rule was suspended, and House bill to incorporate the "Cedar Creek Bridge Company" on its second reading, taken up, read second time, and passed to a third reading; rule further suspended, read third time by caption, and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Bumpass, Burney, Cooley, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Parker, Randolph, Record, Saufley, Selman, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt and Voigt—23.

NAYS—Senator Reed—1.

Upon motion of Senator Saufley, rule was suspended, and bill to incorporate the Jefferson Manufacturing Company, with

amendments recommended by the Committee on Manufactures and Commerce, on its second reading, was taken up.

Amendments made.

Bill, as amended, read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, read third time by caption and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Brown, Bumpass, Burney, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Nelson, Parker, Randolph, Record, Reed, Saufley, Selman, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—22.

Upon motion of Senator Jowers, House bill to incorporate the Texas Navigation Company, on its second reading, was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, rule was suspended, bill read third time by caption and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Brown, Bumpass, Burney, Cooley, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Parker, Randolph, Record, Reed, Saufley, Selman, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—25.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, a committee of conference, consisting of two, was appointed, to confer with a similar committee from the House, on the disagreement of the two Houses on a joint resolution relating to the seizure of cotton by the U. S. authorities.

The Chair announced Senators Shelley and Cook committee on the part of the Senate.

Upon motion of Senator Foscue, House bill to amend the 3d section of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Southern Cotton Press and Manufacturing Company," on its second reading, was taken up out of its order, read, and passed to a third reading.

Rule suspended, read third time and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Brown, Bumpass, Burney, Cook, Cooley, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Parker, Randolph, Record, Reed, Selman, Shannon Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—23.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, a bill to provide for the manufacture of iron by the State was taken up.

One hundred and fifty copies ordered to be printed, and bill made the special order for Saturday, Oct. 13th, 11 o'clock.

Upon motion of Senator McDade, a bill to extend the time

for renewing files of land certificates, making surveys and return of field notes, with amendments recommended by the Committee on Public Lands, was taken up.

Amendments made.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, the 1st section was amended as follows:

Strike out all between the word "corporation," in 5th line, to the figures "1861," inclusive, in the 8th line.

Strike out "such," in 11th line, and insert "their."

After the word "files," insert "or" before the word "make," in 11th line.

Bill, as amended, read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule suspended, read third time and passed.

Senator Yarbrow made the following report:

Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :

The Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An act to incorporate the Melrose Petroleum, Oil, Mining and Manufacturing Company," having had the same under consideration, a majority of the Committee have instructed me to report the bill back to the Senate and recommend its passage.

J. C. YARBROW, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Burney, bill was taken up, read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule suspended, bill read third time by caption and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Brown, Bumpass, Burney, Cooley, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Guinn, Jowers, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Parker, Record, Reed, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—21.

NAYS—Senator Foscoe—1.

On motion of Senator Shannon, a bill to incorporate the Texas Copper Manufacturing Company, with substitute recommended by the Committee on Manufactures and Commerce, on its second reading, was taken up, and substitute adopted.

Bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, bill read third time by caption and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Bumpass, Burney, Cooley, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Foscoe, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Parker, Record, Reed, Selman, Shannon, Shelley, Voigt and Yarbrow—22.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Senator Shelley, the following House bills upon their first reading were taken up, read by caption and referred as indicated:

"An act to amend the penal code in relation to offences committed against live stock."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled "An act supplemental to an act incorporating the Houston Direct Navigation Company."

Referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

A bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the County Court of Dallas county to levy a special tax for the purpose of erecting a comfortable jail, and repairing the courthouse of said county."

Referred to Committee on Finance.

A bill to be entitled "An act appropriating five hundred dollars to make repairs on the Blind Asylum."

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings.

On motion of Senator Guinn, the Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
October 10, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator McDade presented petition of T. B. Stephenson.

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Senator Guinn presented petition of citizens of Cherokee county.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Senator Shannon made the following report:

Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :

The Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred a joint resolution authorizing and requiring the Governor to appoint a special agent, who shall proceed to Washington, D. C., and lay before the President and Secretary of War such facts as may be necessary relative to our frontier, and urge the acceptance of the troops to be raised by the State, &c., have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report that owing to the facility afforded by both mails and telegraph, with which the Governor may communicate with the Government at